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RE: Re-Certification request for bifenthrin to control brown marmorated stink bugs in stone and pome fruits.

Dear Mrs. Maignan:

The Delaware Department of Agriculture, as lead agency for pesticide regulation in Delaware, hereby requests a Specific Exemption renewal under Section 18 of FIFRA for the use of bifenthrin to control brown marmorated stink bugs.

This letter is recertifying that the emergency situation continues and all conditions and restrictions previously authorized remain unchanged.

The Department believes that bifenthrin will provide Delaware's commercial orchard growers with the desired economic benefits without contributing to adverse environmental or human health effects. Our office, to ensure proper implementation, will conduct routine use observations with growers when possible under this exemption.

The interim / final use report under 17-DE-03, 17-DE-04, and 17-DE-05 are as follows:

Amount of formulated product applied 5/31/2017 -10/15/2017:

- 1. Total acreage: 0 acres treated during 2017
- 2. Effectiveness of the pesticide in dealing with the emergency conditions: N/A
- 3. Adverse effects: N/A
- 4. Monitoring: N/A
- 5. Enforcement: DDA did not issue any enforcement action associated with the use of this product connected with this Section 18.

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Thank you for reviewing this request, and if you have any questions please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Christopher Wade Pesticide Compliance Administrator

Enclosures

cc: Michael T. Scuse, Secretary Delaware Department of Agriculture Jimmy Hughes, Environmental Program Manager I David Owens, Extension IPM Specialist, University of Delaware